

## Frequently Asked Questions About the Unusable Pesticide Disposal Program

### Are there any regulatory consequences when participating in these collections?

**No, absolutely not!** The Department is not concerned with whom has what material. Our only goal is to assist the user in properly disposing of unusable, unwanted pesticides in a safe, environmentally sound manner. The program has been in operation since 1993 and there has never been, nor will there be, anyone who has experienced regulatory consequences as a result of participation in this program.

### Why do I have to sign the pre-registration form at the collection site?

Your signature on the form transfers ownership of the material to the Department, thus relieving you of the potential liability for the disposal of the product.

### What if I don't know what some of my pesticides are?

The Department now has the capability to identify unknown pesticides so they may be properly transported to the collection site and accepted for disposal. This process utilizes what is called a HazCat test kit plus, we are often able to identify the material from our experience in the field without the use of the kit. If you contact us in advance of the collection, we can schedule a visit to your location to identify the material. Please contact us far enough in advance that we have the time to schedule this visit.

### How do I participate in these collection events?

All you have to do is bring your unusable pesticide to the collection site nearest you during the hours listed on the Pesticide Disposal Schedule.

Please address questions to:

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- [Fred Rios](#), Bureau Chief, Nampa Field Office 208-442-2816
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### What should I do if I have an old, leaking bag or can?

Contact Vic Mason at (208) 465-8442, or another person on the contact list in your local area, prior to moving the container.

**What should I expect at the collection site?**

Personnel specifically trained to handle toxic materials unload each participant's vehicle. At that time, the Department takes possession of the unusable pesticides and declares them waste. Pesticides (herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, rodenticides, etc.) are then prepared for transport where they will be disposed of in a safe and environmentally sound manner. A Treatment, Storage, and Disposal facility (TDS) is contracted to incinerate all materials collected.

**What health and safety precautions are taken?**

The Department works with medical facilities to alert them to any possible problems that may occur in relation to each collection. Site-specific Health and Safety Plans (HASP) are developed for each location and include standard operating procedures for each collection. All emergency personnel are provided with HASPs and other information for each collection so that they are prepared to respond to any situation that might arise.